document is given in the annexure. [See appendix 171, annexure No. 5]

U.S. repoit on iSI-backetl militancy in Kashmir

180. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN.

SHRI VIREN J. SHAH; Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleas-d to state:

(a) whether GovernmerrVs attention has been drawn to a report published in the 'Indian Express' of June 29, 1994_ under the heading 'ISI-backcd militancy to spread in India' warns US report;

(b) if so, what arc the contents of the report;

(c) whac are the details of ISI-backed terrorist training camps in Pakistan and Pak'stan-occupied Kashmir (FOK), the number of persons being trained and arms supplied and training given to them; and

(d) what steps Government have taken or propose to take to meet the situatiojn in Kashmir and various other parts of the counry?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI R. L, BHATIA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The report entitled "The Kashmir Connection" prepared by the Task Farce on Terrorism and Unconventional Warfare of the House Republican Research Commitee, US House of Representatives documen s Pakistans' role in international terrorism and its profound ramifications for India. ThW non-official Teport states that supporters of Islamist cau.es, put Kashmir high on their list of Jihads to be fought. The repsr-goes on to add that the righting in Kashmir will escalate significantly and terrorism *ill expand jnto the rest of India.

(c) Government are aware of the existence of training camps both in Pakistan as well as Pakistan Occupied Kashmir (POK). Their number and location, however, vary from time to Ume. It is not possible to estimate the precise number of persons who may be receiving training in such camps.

(cl) Government have intensified surveillance and patrolling along the bordir/LOC to prevent infiltration. Government remain vigilant about activities detrimental to national se-etvritv and take all measures to safe-guard it.

Na'ioiial Policy on food Processing

181. SHRI KRISHNA KUM \K BIRLA: Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

fa) whether Government propose to formulate a national policy on food processing in the country;

(b) if so, whether the comments of the Agriculture and Commerce Ministries are delaying in 'mplemen-ting the national policy on food processing;

fc) if so. the reasons iVerefor; and

fd> bv wher it is likely to be implemented?

THE M1NISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI TARUN GOGOI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

(d) The Ministry has prepared a framework for developing national policy on food processing industries and is now takjng steps to hold consultation with sister Ministries, State

Governments and others for early finalisation of it.

Assessment of iuvestmeat made in Food Processi?ig- Sector

182. SHRI CHIMANBHAI HARIBHAI SHUKLA; Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

heftier Government have made any assessment in regard to investment made in food processing sector to promote food processing industries in Gujarat;

(b) if so, what are the details , thereof; and

(e) what are the industries which are being established to promote food processing industries through investment and what are the details oi the effort,:; being made in this regard? j !.

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PRO CESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI TA RUN GOGOI): (a) to (c) As per available information 189 Industrial Entrepreneurs Memoranda involving an investment about Rs. 2805 Crores have been filed upto May 1994 for setting up Food P-oc'essing units in the state of Gu-jf,rat. In addition approvals for Joint Vcn:ure_ Foreign Collaboration, setting up of H.uUs etc. have been granted involving an investment of about Rs. 78 Crores. The industries proposed to be sot up include Grain Processing, Fruit and Vegetables Processing, Fish Processing. Consumer Industries and Milk and Dairy Pro duels.

Pppsi Food Ltd. alliance with US firm

183. SHRI AJIT P. K. JOGI. Will the Minister of FOOD PROCES-SING INDUSTRIES fcp r-leased ta state-

(a) whether Government have-cVsred any proposal, of Pepsi Food* Limited for foreign alliance with an US firm to market branded fruit juice in the US, Netherlands and UK;

(b) if so^ what arc the details thereof; and'

(c) what benefits are likely to ac cure lo the country including the re patriation cf foreign exchange earn ed in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIE'S (SHRI TARUN GOGOI); (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Stepping up various exports

184. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased t& state;

(a) whether it is a fact that the Standing Committee on Agriculture has pulled up the Food Ministry for its failures;

(b) if so, whether it has been sug gested that Processing Industries should be merged eiher with Indus try or Agriculture Ministries;

(c) whether the suggestions made in the report have been considered by Government;

(d) if so, whether the Ministry is steppping up various exports extend ing necessary facilities to the rural areas by setting up various centres and providing jobs to rural popula tion; and

(e) if so, to wha» extent these schemes would be implemented dur ing 1994?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI TARUN GOGOI): (a) The Standing 1 Committee on Agriculture had made certain observation; regarding the Ministry.